

REMARKS

The Office Action of May 17, 2007, has been carefully reviewed and these remarks are responsive thereto. By this amendment, claims 1, 5-7, 10-31 are pending in the application. Applicant appreciates the Examiner's indication that claims 16 - 31 are allowable and that claims 4-7 and 10-15 contain allowable subject matter. Claims 2-4 and 8-9 have been cancelled. The recitations of claims 2-4 have been added to claim 1. Claim 10 has been written in independent form incorporating the subject matter of claims 1, 8, and 9. Claims 5-7, 11, and 13-15 have been amended to comport with the above amendments as well as clarify the language. No new matter has been added.

Indication that Claims Contain Allowable Subject Matter

Applicant appreciates the Examiner's indication that claims 4-7 and 10-31 include allowable subject matter.

Rejections Under 35 U.S.C. § 102

Claims 1-3 and 8-9 stand rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 102(e) as being anticipated by U.S. Patent No. 6,968,219 B2 to Pattabiraman, et al. Applicant respectfully traverses this rejection.

As indicated above, the recitations of allowable claim 4 (and intervening claims 2-3) have been incorporated into claim 1. Accordingly, claim 1 is allowable over Pattabiraman.

Also, claim 10 has been written in independent form (with intervening claims 1, 8, and 9).

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All rejections having been addressed, Applicant respectfully submits that the instant application is in condition for allowance, and respectfully solicits prompt notification of the same.

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